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is being filed on Sept. 22, 2003
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) is a nonprovisional patent application:

For (Title): APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR SPEECH RECOGNITION

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- 43 pages of Specification/Claims 1-6/Abstract are attached.
- Formal drawings (Figss). 1-9; 9 sheets) is attached.
- A Declaration and Power of Attorney is attached.
- An assignment of the invention to _____ is attached, along with Form PTO-1595 and a check for \$40.00.
- An Information Disclosure Statement is attached, along with Form PTO-1449, and 2 reference.
- Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence --This nonprovisional application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. _____, filed _____.
- Priority of foreign application No. 2002-271670 filed September 18, 2002 in Japan is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119.
- A certified copy of the above corresponding foreign application is attached.

The filing fee is calculated below and includes claim status after entry of any Preliminary Amendment noted above:

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| NO. FILED | NO. EXTRA | | RATE | FEES | RATE | FEES |
| BASIC FEE | | | \$ 375 | | \$ 750 | |
| TOTAL CLAIMS | 8 - 20 | = 0 | x 9 = | \$ | x 18 | \$ |
| INDEP CLAIMS | 4 - 3 | = 1 | x 42 = | \$ | x 84 | \$ 84 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS | | | +140 = | \$ | +280 | \$ 280 |
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Respectfully submitted,


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